



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesota FFA (formerly known as Minnesota Future Farmers of America), and agriculture education provide a strong foundation for youth and the future of agriculture in Minnesota and the profession of agricultural education; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota FFA promotes leadership, personal growth, and career success among its 10,200 members through career and technical education experiences in secondary agriculture education; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota FFA members earned more than \$4.29 million and invested more than \$3.15 million through educational internships and entrepreneurial supervised agriculture experiences in 2014; and
- WHEREAS: Agriculture education and the FFA ensure young professionals meet the growing demands of Minnesota's agriculture, food, and natural resources industries; and
- WHEREAS: The FFA motto, "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve," compliments the Minnesota FFA Association theme, "Reach"; and
- WHEREAS: The FFA develops leaders within their chapters, schools, and communities by encouraging cooperation, promoting good citizenship, and inspiring patriotism among its members; and
- WHEREAS: FFA is a vital part of quality intra-curricular education developing good citizens, leaders, entrepreneurs, employees, executives, and agriculture educators.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 21 - 28, 2015, as:

## FFA WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE